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**PETITION TO EXTEND TIME UNDER 37 CFR §1.136(a)**

Sir:

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The shortened statutory period expired October 27, 2004.

Since the attached response is being filed within the third month pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136(a) we attach the appropriate petition fee of \$510.00.

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